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Six Democrats Battle It Out for Right To Meet Broomfield

Six Democrats — a more eager host than many counted on — are expected to arrive by the vote Tuesday, when their party nominates a candidate for U.S. Congress.

The winner faces William S. Broomfield, 28-year-old Republican incumbent whose abilities in a campaign have earned him the genuine respect of the opposition.

The make-up of the Democratic race has four newcomers, a perennial and a late starter who lost in the 1958 race for state Senate — can be said to reflect the respect of Broomfield the campaigner and the local record of Republicans in Oakland going to defeat in a Presidential year.

Democrat's Arrival

Among the Democrats is Leslie P. Hudson, the 1958 nominee who lost to Broomfield by 10,414 votes.

Hudson has left the impression that he is content to wait for 1962.

Broomfield, when redistricting may change the boundaries — and political complexion — of Oakland county's 18th Congressional district. It is generally felt among Democrats that there will be no shortage of Congressional candidates in 1962.

But this year, Broomfield, unopposed in the Republican party, can look forward to November and a contest with an untied opponent, one who has tried and never won.

The Democratic line of Tuesday's ticket offers variety: a former United States attorney, a businessman who, by his statements, is perhaps the most liberal candidate, a Democrat, a veteran city official, a Kennedy both corporate and official.

Stands on Russia

Each espouses a firm stand toward the Soviet Union.

The exception is James G. Kelly of Berkeley, who won the endorsement of the AFL-CIO for his background employment of connection with labor. Kelly was a member of the United States Air Force, enlisting as a private at 18, rising to a colonel at 42, two months ago.

Kelly conducted spy missions for both the Central Intelligence Agency and NATO. He was decorated for duty with the OSS in World War II. His last duty assignment was officer in charge of the 4th Force Group for four years.



Kelly



Kadane



Meagher



Johnson



Lennox



Nipenko

at the University of Detroit. He lives at 1817 Cass, Berkeley.

Most of Kelly's campaign talks have been in the area of foreign policy, intelligence, defense. He has been highly critical of the Eisenhower administration in every area.

Kelly said of Russia, "We have to be first, positive toward the Soviet Union. We cannot follow this policy of reacting to Soviet initiatives."

Blake Policy, Clear

"We should make it very clear to our friends and our potential enemies what our policy is. We should act upon it every time Russia acts." In order to deal with the threat, the U.S. must build up its defenses, particularly mobile missiles, Kelly stressed.

All the candidates say they would support U.S. troops presently through the United Nations to make any attempt by Russia to take over the world, demonstrated by aggression.

Leonard J. Nipenko, veteran Hazel Park official said, "If we do, we must compromise. Communism is a force in the world, everywhere."

Nipenko says he is running his

sixth run for Congress. He has been a candidate in 1950, 1952, 1954, 1956, and 1958, never surviving the primary. He has been Hazel Park mayor twice, now is a city councilman.

Teacher

He is a teacher in Ferndale public schools. He lives at 72 Chestnut, Hazel Park.

Nipenko said, "We must be firm but friendly with Russia. We ought to be understanding, we ought to meet them, and we ought to keep diplomatic channels open. We must not take a back seat or turn our back."

George E. Lennox, age 32, owns a saw and tool supply firm in Hazel Park. He also deals in insurance. He lives at 222 Royal street, Royal Oak.

He said, "We should deal with Russia from a position of strength. We must let them know we will not stand for aggression in any part of the world and that we will stand for what we consider to be right."

Restore Superiority

"We must restore superiority in all phases of defense: missiles, long-range bombers, nuclear weapons. We must also be prepared for a limited war with conventional weapons."

"We must have peace through strength," Lennox said, "and we must engage in talks with the Russians on critical parts of the world so they know exactly where we stand. We also must carry on talks on arms and nuclear bans so we can lessen the possibility of war by accident."

Lennox is making his first political effort. He has espoused government health insurance for the aged, he has spoken out for a better climate for labor, and he has scored American corporate imperialism in Central and South America.

Leo E. Meagher, 53-year-old Farmington real estate broker, announced first as a candidate for state Senate, then switched to the Congressional race. He won friends in the Democratic party in 1958 when he finished within 1,000 votes of Republican State Senator L. Harvey Lodge.

Containment Policy

Meagher said, "You can't do business with Communism. I believe in a firm policy of containment. We are not dealing with the Russian people, but with an atheistic ideology in which immorality is justified if it means the ends."

"With a firm policy of containment, I think Communism will decay within its own borders."

—Fred W. Rye

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